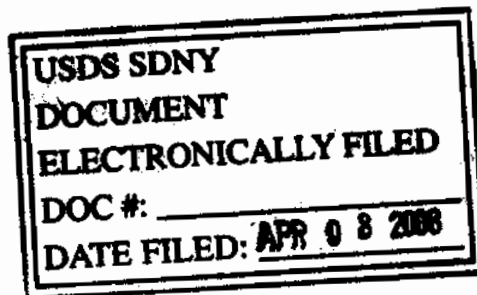


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Honorable Paul A. Crotty
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United States District Court
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007Re: Pavon v. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and Novartis Corp.
No. 08 CV 1272 (PAC)

Dear Judge Crotty:

My firm represents the defendants in the referenced matter. At the initial conference held March 14, 2008, Your Honor directed that I inform you of an agreed-upon briefing schedule for contemplated motions to dismiss by defendants and remand by plaintiff. Attorneys for the parties propose the following schedule:

April 17, 2008: Defendants' motion to dismiss

May 12, 2008: Plaintiff's response and cross-motion to remand

June 6, 2008: Defendants' response/reply

June 16, 2008: Plaintiff's reply

I hope this meets with your approval.

Respectfully yours,

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